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Application Number	09/585,573
Filing Date	June 2, 2000
First Named Inventor	HIROSHI TSUMURA
Art Unit	1731
Examiner Name	S. VINCENT
Attorney Docket Number	007874-0270735

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In re PATENT APPLICATION of

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Group Art Unit: 1731

Application Serial No.: 09/585,573

Examiner: VINCENT, S.E.

Filed: June 2, 2000

Title: AN APPARATUS FOR MANUFACTURING GLASS BASE MATERIAL AND A METHOD FOR
MANUFACTURING GLASS BASE MATERIAL

July 24, 2003

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AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.114

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Sir:

This is in response to the final official action dated December 2, 2002 and the
Advisory Action dated June 23, 2003, wherein the pending claims were variously rejected
under 35 U.S.C. §§102 and 103. The applicants respectfully traverse in view of the following
amendments and remarks.